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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated August 22, 2001, enclosed is a fully executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is the Part 2 - copy to be returned with response of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge of \$130 to Deposit Account Number 01-2384. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

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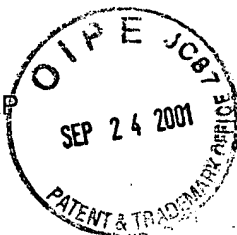


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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

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